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Title: BLADE WITH MICROSCOPIC ...

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) A blade, comprising:

a substrate including a specular surface; and

a thin, hard plate deposited on the specular surface, whereby the hard plate is
microscopically flat;

wherein the substrate is beveled toward a cutting edge including the hard plate, whereby
the cutting edge is microscopically straight in a cutting direction.

Cancel claims 7-16 without prejudice.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Delete the paragraph starting at page 11, line 9.

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